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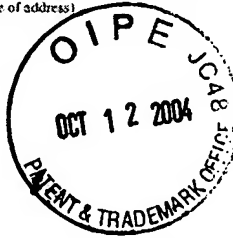
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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR THERMALLY BONDING LUBRICANT TO A DISK SURFACE BY THE REPETITIVE WRITING OF DATA

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